



NEWS RELEASE

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Winter Travel Reminder

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) would like to remind motorists traveling in northern California to be vigilant regarding winter driving and be prepared on the roadways for possible changes in the weather or road conditions. With the recent unusually mild weather and the current rainfall, now is the time to become familiar with the informational tools and tips available on the internet and to prepare for travel in the north state. The website links listed below have the traveling public in mind and are readily available on the Caltrans District 2 webpage www.caltrans2.info.

District 2 Chain Control Map

At www.dot.ca.gov/dist2/chainup/allcntys.htm motorists can keep track of changing conditions and plan a route of travel specifically within northern California. The Caltrans District 2 Northstate Chain Control Map includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Lassen, Shasta, Trinity, Tehama, Butte, and Plumas and has information on road conditions, chain control restrictions, and definitions of what the restrictions mean.

One Stop Shop for Traveler Information

Another great traveler's link is oss.weathershare.org the One Stop Shop for Traveler Information (OSS). This website, developed by the Western Transportation Institute in cooperation with Caltrans District 2, contains road and weather information for California, Oregon, Washington, and Nevada. OSS utilizes a multi-state road conditions map including a planning feature that allows the user to indicate the start and end points of their trip and uses Google routing to find an efficient route. Within OSS the user can focus the map to a specific state or route to find chain control information, links to travel cameras, weather information, incident information, and more.

For more information call the Public Information Office at (530) 229-0511 or (530) 225-3260.

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